

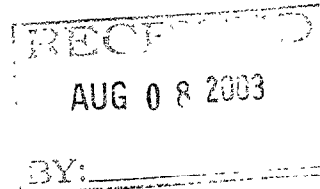


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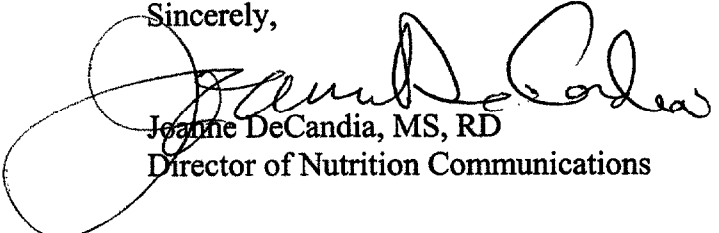
Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter will serve as a 30-day notification pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act of 1994 that NBTY Inc. is using the following statements on our Time Release Vitamin C supplements under the Radiance label:

- Supports Antioxidant Protection and Immune System Function
- Vitamin C is a water-soluble vitamin that helps fight cell damaging free radicals, which can lead to oxidative stress and the premature aging of cells.
- Vitamin C also promotes proper immune system function.

The above statements are accompanied by the required disclaimer pursuant to Section 6 of the Dietary Supplement Health and Education Act.

Sincerely,



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